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Chicago Spire financing plan challenged

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Related Cos. and Atlas each want to finance the Chicago Spire project.

A company affiliated with Related Midwest is challenging a bankruptcy financing plan proposed by the Chicago Spire's developer, in part, because of the interest rates it called "pawn shop like."

RMW Acquisition Co. LLC, which owns the project's delinquent debt, also revealed in a court filing Monday that it offered debtor-in-possession bankruptcy funds to Shelbourne North Water Street L.P. in December, the [Chicago Tribune](#) reports.

Shelbourne, controlled by real estate developer Garrett Kelleher, has secured a commitment from Atlas Apartment Holdings LLC to provide up to [\\$135 million to pay off claims](#) and emerge from bankruptcy, according to a court filing Feb. 6.

The Shelbourne project aimed to build what was planned as the tallest building in the Western Hemisphere on a 2.2 acre site at 400 N. Lake Shore Drive. The project was crushed by the collapse of the real estate market and recession, which landed it in foreclosure and bankruptcy.

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